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THANK YOU
to all the producers who participated in our recent surveys. The results you requested are in this issue.

Special Note

As of January 2011, State level livestock prices were discontinued. Livestock prices for the United States will be published based on data provided by the USDA's Agricultural Marketing Service.

HAY PRICES ABOVE LAST YEAR

April hay prices were above both last month and last year. **Alfalfa hay**, up $2.00 from last month and up $5.00 from last year, came in at $95.00 per ton. **Other hay**, at $91.00 per ton, was up $1.00 from last month and up $6.00 from last year.

UNITED STATES: The preliminary All Farm Products Index of Prices Received by Farmers in April, at 174 percent, based on 1990-1992=100, increased 2 points (1.2 percent) from March. The Crop Index is up 1 point (0.5 percent) and the Livestock Index increased 4 points (2.6 percent). Producers received higher prices for corn, cattle, eggs, and hogs and lower prices for lettuce, milk, tomatoes, and celery. In addition to prices, the overall index is also affected by the seasonal change based on a 3-year average mix of commodities producers sell. Increased monthly marketings of cattle, strawberries, milk, and broilers offset decreased marketings of soybeans, corn, wheat, and cotton.

The preliminary All Farm Products Index is up 36 points (26 percent) from April 2010. The Food Commodities Index, at 167, decreased 2 points (1.2 percent) from last month but increased 28 points (20 percent) from April 2010.

PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS AND RANCHERS - WY AND U.S.: APRIL 2011 WITH COMPARISONS
U.S. PRICES AS PERCENT OF PARITY

COMMODITY	UNIT	WYOMING APR 2010	WYOMING MAR 2011	WYOMING APR 15 2011	UNITED STATES 3/ APR 2010	UNITED STATES 3/ MAR 2011	UNITED STATES 3/ APR 15 2011	% OF PARITY
		Dollars			Dollars			Percent
LIVESTOCK AND PRODUCTS								
Cows	100#	58.60	1/	1/	57.50	75.20	79.80	—
Steers & Heifers	100#	109.00	1/	1/	101.00	118.00	124.00	—
Calves	100#	132.00	1/	1/	124.00	148.00	150.00	39
Sheep	100#	50.30	1/	1/	49.40	(NA)	1/	—
Lambs	100#	115.00	1/	1/	118.00	169.00	1/	—
CROPS								
Corn	Bu.	2/	2/	1/	3.41	5.53	6.40	62
Oats	Bu.	2/	2/	1/	2.25	3.28	3.40	50
Feed Barley	Bu.	2/	2/	2/	2.40	4.27	4.67	—
Winter Wheat	Bu.	2/	2/	1/	4.19	7.02	7.69	—
Dry Beans	100#	2/	2/	1/	30.60	30.10	31.10	39
Alfalfa Hay (Baled)	Ton	90.00	93.00	95.00	112.00	136.00	155.00	—
Other Hay (Baled)	Ton	85.00	90.00	91.00	96.70	97.30	103.00	—

(NA) Not available. 1/ Price discontinued. 2/ Price withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations. 3/ Price data source for livestock is United States Department of Agriculture's Agricultural Marketing Service. **NOTE**: Entire month price is a revision of previous mid-month price expect for hay which is always a mid-month price.

PRICES RECEIVED INDEXES - UNITED STATES: APRIL 2011 WITH COMPARISONS

1990-92 = 100 BASIS	UNITED STATES APR 2010	UNITED STATES MAR 2011	UNITED STATES APR 15 2011
All Commodities	138	172	174
All Crops	150	194	195
All Livestock and Products	128	152	156

WYOMING LIVESTOCK CASH RECEIPTS UP 19 PERCENT

Wyoming stock growers received $838.6 million in cash receipts from cattle, sheep, and hog sales during 2010. This is up 19 percent from the previous year's $705.4 million.

Cattle and calf cash receipts, at $732.9 million, accounted for 87 percent of Wyoming's total livestock receipts. Total cattle receipts were up 18 percent from 2009. The average price for calves marketed in 2010 increased 20 percent to $132.00 per 100 pounds of live weight (cwt.), while steer & heifer marketing year averages increased $14.60 per cwt to $97.20 per cwt. Total pounds marketed were up 1 percent for the year, but calf death loss in 2010 was down 23 percent from 2009 to 30,000 head.

Hog and pig gross income in 2010 totaled $71.6 million, up 40 percent from the previous year, with total pounds marketed up 10 percent in comparison to those in 2009. The market year average price increased $11.20 to $49.50 per cwt in 2010. The 2010 inventory on December 1 also increased to 99,000 head, 14 percent larger than in 2009.

Cash receipts for **sheep and lambs** marketed in 2010 totaled $34.6 million, down 3 percent from 2009. The pounds of sheep and lambs marketed also decreased by 19 percent to 34.4 million pounds. The average price for lambs marketed was up $22 per cwt. to $122.00. Sheep prices also increased $18.70 to $51.50 per cwt. The total January 1 inventory was down 3 percent from 2010.

UNITED STATES: **Total 2010 gross income** from cattle and calves, hogs and pigs, and sheep and lambs for the U.S. totaled $70.5 billion, up 19 percent from 2009. Gross income increased for cattle and calves, hogs and pigs, and sheep and lambs. Cattle and calves increased 17 percent, hogs and pigs increased 22 percent, and sheep and lambs also increased 22 percent.

Total 2010 cash receipts from marketings of meat animals increased 19 percent to $70.0 billion. Cattle and calves accounted for 73 percent of this total, hogs and pigs 26 percent, and sheep and lambs 1 percent. Production decreased 3 percent for hogs and pigs, 4 percent for sheep and lambs, but increased 1 percent for all cattle and calves.

Cash receipts from marketings of **cattle and calves** increased 17 percent from $43.9 billion in 2009 to $51.5 in 2010. All cattle and calf marketings totaled 55.5 billion pounds in 2010, up 2 percent from 2009.

Cash receipts from **hogs and pigs** totaled $17.9 billion during 2010, up 22 percent from 2009. Marketings totaled 31.4 billion pounds in 2010, down 5 percent from 2009.

Cash receipts from marketings of **sheep and lambs** in 2010 were $544 million, up 22 percent from 2009. Marketings decreased 3 percent to 493 million pounds.

MEAT ANIMALS: PRODUCTION, DISPOSITION AND INCOME, WYOMING 2009-10

Year	Production 1/	Marketings 2/	Average Price per 100 lbs.		Value of Production	Cash Receipts 3/	Gross Income
	1,000 Pounds		Dollars		1,000 Dollars		
Cattle and Calves			**(Cattle)**	**(Calves)**			
2009	471,534	722,180	82.60	110.00	404,362	619,065	627,700
2010	494,345	728,160	97.20	132.00	495,789	732,883	743,075
Sheep and Lambs			**(Sheep)**	**(Lambs)**			
2009	36,524	42,280	32.80	100.00	31,931	35,634	36,008
2010	31,812	34,428	51.50	122.00	33,981	34,604	35,079
Hogs and Pigs							
2009	122,787	123,484	38.30		50,231	50,741	51,190
2010	136,550	135,838	49.50		71,259	71,070	71,647
Total Meat Animals							
2009	630,845	887,944			486,524	705,440	741,898
2010	662,707	898,426			601,029	838,557	849,801

1/ Adjustments made for changes in inventory and for inshipments.
2/ Excludes custom slaughter for use on farms where produced and interfarm sales within the State.
3/ Receipts from marketings and sales of farm slaughter.

U.S. CATTLE ON FEED DOWN 3 PERCENT

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 11.2 million head on May 1, 2011. The inventory was 7 percent above May 1, 2010.

Placements in feedlots during April totaled 1.80 million, 10 percent above 2010. This is the second highest placements for the month of April since the series began in 1996. Net placements were 1.74 million head. During April, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 450,000, 600-699 pounds were 310,000, 700-799 pounds were 490,000, and 800 pounds and greater were 545,000.

Marketings of fed cattle during April totaled 1.81 million, 3 percent below 2010.

Other disappearance totaled 59,000 during April, 35 percent below 2010. This is the lowest other disappearance for the month of April since the series began in 1996.

CATTLE ON FEED: 1000+ CAPACITY FEEDLOTS, SELECTED STATES AND UNITED STATES, MAY 1, 2010-11 1/

State	On Feed May 1, 2010	Place-ments Apr 2011	Market-ings Apr 2011	Other Disapp. Apr 2011	On Feed May 1, 2011	On Feed Apr 1, 2011
	Thousand Head					
CO	940	165	150	5	1,100	1,090
KS	2,130	380	385	15	2,170	2,190
NE	2,240	370	370	10	2,370	2,380
TX	2,510	510	530	10	2,750	2,780
Oth Sts.	2,608	370	372	19	2,810	2,831
U.S.	10,428	1,795	1,807	59	11,200	11,271

1/ Cattle and calves on feed are animals for slaughter market being fed a ration of grain or other concentrates and are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better.

WYOMING COMMERCIAL RED MEAT PRODUCTION UP FROM FEBRUARY

Commercial red meat production in *Wyoming* during March 2011 totaled 500,000 pounds. This was up 25 percent from March 2010 and up 100,000 pounds compared to last month's production. Commercial red meat production includes total beef, veal, pork, lamb and mutton but excludes animals slaughtered on farm.

Six hundred **cattle** were slaughtered in Wyoming during March, unchanged from both last year and last month. Total live weight was 708,000 pounds, up 14 percent from the previous March. Average live weight of cattle slaughtered was 1,120 pounds, down 49 pounds from last month.

A total of 400 **commercial hogs** were processed, unchanged from March of last year and up 200 head compared to last month. Total live weight, at 92,000 pounds, was down 7 percent from March 2010. Average live weight of hogs slaughtered was 233 pounds, up 19 pounds from the previous month.

One hundred **sheep and lambs** were processed in March, unchanged from the same time last year. Total live weight, at 10,000 pounds, was down 23 percent from March 2010. Average live weight of sheep slaughtered was 133 pounds, down 8 pounds from the previous month.

UNITED STATES: Commercial red meat production for the United States totaled 4.35 billion pounds in March, up 2 percent from the 4.28 billion pounds produced in March 2010.

Beef production, at 2.27 billion pounds, was 2 percent above the previous year. Cattle slaughter totaled 2.96 million head, up 2 percent from March 2010. The average live weight was up 3 pounds from the previous year, at 1,276 pounds.

Pork production totaled 2.05 billion pounds, up 1 percent from the previous year. Hog slaughter totaled 9.87 million head, down 2 percent from March 2010. The average live weight was up 6 pounds from the previous year, at 278 pounds.

Lamb and mutton production, at 14.1 million pounds, was down 20 percent from March 2010. Sheep slaughter totaled 193,900 head, 26 percent below last year. The average live weight was 146 pounds, up 11 pounds from March a year ago.

January to March 2011 commercial red meat production was 12.2 billion pounds, up 2 percent from 2010. Accumulated beef production was up 3 percent from last year, pork was up 2 percent from last year, and lamb and mutton production was down 16 percent.

COMMERCIAL LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTER MARCH 2010 AND 2011, WYOMING and U.S.

SPECIES	WYOMING					UNITED STATES				
	Number of Head		Total Live Weight			Number of Head		Total Live Weight		
	March 2010	March 2011	March 2010	March 2011	11/10	March 2010	March 2011	March 2010	March 2011	11/10
			1,000 Pounds		**Percent**			**1,000 Pounds**		**Percent**
Cattle	600	600	620	708	114.2	2,911,500	2,959,200	3,691,673	3,761,623	101.9
Hogs	400	400	99	92	92.9	10,031,500	9,873,000	2,724,041	2,739,883	100.6
Sheep & Lambs	100	100	13	10	76.9	263,200	193,900	35,386	28,195	80.0

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WYOMING HAY STOCKS DOWN 9 PERCENT

Hay stocks on Wyoming farms and ranches totaled 365,000 tons as of May 1, 2011, down 9 percent from the same time last year, but up 59 percent from 2 years earlier. Hay disappearance from December 1, 2010 - May 1, 2011, totaled 1.34 million tons, down 19 percent from the same period last year.

United States: All hay stored on farms May 1, 2011 totaled 22.2 million tons, up 6 percent from a year ago. Disappearance from December 1, 2010-May 1, 2011 totaled 79.9 million tons, compared with 86.3 million tons for the same period a year ago.
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U.S. WINTER WHEAT PRODUCTION FORECAST DOWN 4 PERCENT FROM 2010

Winter wheat production is forecast at 1.42 billion bushels, down 4 percent from 2010. Expected area for harvest as grain or seed totals 32.0 million acres, up 1 percent from last year. Based on May 1 conditions, the U.S. yield is forecast at 44.5 bushels per acre, down 2.3 bushels from last year.

Hard Red Winter, at 762 million bushels, is down 25 percent from 2010. Soft Red Winter, at 427 million bushels, is up 80 percent from last year. White Winter is up 3 percent from last year and totals 235 million bushels. Of this total, 11.7 million bushels are Hard White and 224 million bushels are Soft White.

WINTER WHEAT, 2010 AND MAY 1, 2011 FORECAST, SELECTED STATES AND U.S. 1/

State	Acres Harvested		Yield per acre		Production		
	2010	Indicated 2011	2010	Indicated 2011	2010	Indicated 2011	11/10
	1,000 Acres		Bushels		1,000 Bushels		Percent
Colorado	2,350	2,150	45.0	30.0	105,750	64,500	61
Idaho	710	790	82.0	79.0	58,220	62,410	107
Kansas	8,000	7,700	45.0	34.0	360,000	261,800	73
Montana	1,950	2,150	48.0	44.0	93,600	94,600	101
Nebraska	1,490	1,350	43.0	42.0	64,070	56,700	88
Oklahoma	3,900	3,400	31.0	22.0	120,900	74,800	62
South Dakota	1,300	1,550	49.0	46.0	63,700	71,300	112
Texas	3,750	1,800	34.0	26.0	127,500	46,800	37
Washington	1,710	1,770	69.0	65.0	117,990	115,050	98
UNITED STATES	31,749	32,039	46.8	44.5	1,485,236	1,424,357	96

1/ Wyoming May 1 wheat forecast is not published separately but is included in the U.S. Total.